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FM AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 8685

AMEMBASSY BEIRUT IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: BEIRUT EVACUATION

REF: (A) DAMASCUS 4630, (B) STATE 177762

1. MET WITH PRESIDENT'S PRIVATE SECRETARY DABBOUL 1300L JULY 18. HE WILL COORDINATE NOTIFICATION OF ALL SYRIAN AUTHORITIES ABOUT OUR CHOICE OF ROAD CONVOY AS THE PRINCIPAL ROUTE. (NOTED THAT WE WERE KEEPING AIRPORT OPTION OPEN.)

2. HE WILL ALSO ON JULY 19 PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION TO INSURE THAT SYRIAN GASOLINE TRUCK WILL BE ALLOWED PROCEED BEYOND FRONTIER TO FARTHEST POINT UNDER CONTROL SYRIAN ARMY IN BEKAA VALLEY. EMBASSY PLANS DETAIL LOCAL DRIVER AND PERHAPS EMBOFF AS WELL TO ACCOMPANY GASOLINE TRUCK TO SUCH POINT WHICH WE ESTIMATE WILL BE SOMEWHERE SOUTH OF RASHAYYA ENROUTE MARJAYOUN.

3. TOLD HIM I ALSO WISHED READING ON MONDAY FROM SHIHABI ABOUT SECURITY OF ROUTE. DABBOUL SAID HE WOULD EITHER GET THIS INFORMATION FROM SHIHABI HIMSELF OR ARRANGE MEETING FOR ME WITH THE GENERAL AFTERNOON JULY 19.

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4. FOR BEIRUT:

REQUEST YOU BRING IN CONVOY AS MANY EMPTY JERRY CANS
AS POSSIBLE FOR USE IN SHUTTLING GASOLINE FROM TRUCK TO
STRANDED VEHICLES.

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